



STINGER SPORTS

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FOOTBALL STINGERS FACE GUELPH

The 1982 edition of the Concordia University Football Stingers opened training camp this past week and as the season opener approaches, a couple of key questions are being asked. First, can the Stingers repeat their tremendous start of 1981, when they followed up a pre-season win over McMaster (23-7) with a 27-17 victory against the Queen's Golden Gaels right in Kingston, and then a home opener 49-10 rout of Ottawa. Second, can the Stingers play consistent football in 1982, something they failed to do through the second half of last season.

According to head Coach, Skip Rochette, an inconsistent offense and an inexperienced defense caused the Stingers to tail off after their great start. But he is quick to point out that "last year the Stingers proved that they had the talent to play with the best in Canada." With over 35 veterans returning, Rochette feels the Stingers have the nucleus and the experience to be contenders in the always tough OQIFC in 1982.

Offensively, Concordia will be counting on quarter back Colin Anderson and running back Frank Pileggi among the returning starters. On defense, the Stingers are led by all-league linebacker Ross Reeves and defensive back Roy Trevisan.

Concordia will open the season on Saturday, September 4th with a non-conference game at Guelph. Game time is 2 p.m. The Stingers home opener is set for SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th, when they host cross-town rival, McGill Redmen in the annual Shaughnessy Cup Game.

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